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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the third paragraph on page 1 of this application, starting with "This application claims the benefit . . ." with the following amended paragraph:

This application claims <u>priority to and</u> the benefit <u>of the filing date</u> under 35 U.S.C. §120, and is a continuation application of, ÷1.— Application Ser. No. 09/049,066, filed on March 27, 1998, now U.S. Patent 6,686,918, which is a nonprovisional application of <u>provisional</u> application Ser. No. 60/054,590, filed on August 1, 1998, now abandoned ÷. 2.— This application also claims priority to and the benefit of the filing date under 35 U.S.C §119 of Provisional application Ser. No. 60/054,590, filed on August 1, 1998, abandoned ; both Both of these applications which are incorporated herein by reference.